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Soviet General Officers in the Baltic S.S.Rs.

1. The following Soviet generals and admirals held positions in the Baltic S.S.Rs. prior to May 1951:

Rank and Name

Appointment and Post

Lieutenant General V.R. Vashkevich

Chief of staff of the Soviet troops  
in the Baltic S.S.Rs. stationed in  
the Lithuanian S.S.R.

Major General Lapkin (fnu)

Chief of "politruks", stationed in the Lithuanian S.S.R., successor to Major General Gulyayev (fnu), who left for reassignment.

Army General Y.Kh. Bagramian

Commander-in-chief of the armed forces in the Baltic S.S.Rs., stationed in Riga.

Lieutenant General V.F. Gerasimenko

Deputy of Bagramian, stationed in  
Lepaya (56°30'N/20°58'E).

Lieutenant General A.V. Mukhin

Deputy of Bagramian, stationed in  
Griva (55°50'N/26°29'E).

Major General Allikas (fnu)

Stationed in the Estonian S.S.R.

General G.F. Bystrikov

Stationed in the Estonian S.S.R.

Major General Vagin (fnu)

Stationed in the Estonian S.S.R.,  
formerly in service with the Soviet  
Occupation Forces in Germany.

Major General ( Air Force)  
B.L. Petrov

Stationed in the Estonian S.S.R.,  
served with the Amur Fleet in 1948

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Admiral N.M. Kharlamov

Stationed in the Estonian S.S.R. \*

Reorganization of the Baltic and Leningrad MD.

2. The Estonian S.S.R. was recently removed from the jurisdiction of the Leningrad MD and integrated into the Baltic MD. \*\*

\* Comment. Generals known as belonging to the Hq Baltic MD from newspaper reports and confirmed in the positions until May 1951 by the present report included Army General I.Kh. Bagramyan, commander-in-chief; Lieutenant General V.F. Gerasimenko, deputy commander; and Lieutenant General V.R. Vashkevich, chief of staff. The following of the officers mentioned in the present report are known:

Major General Gulyayev (fnu), chief of the Political Administration of the Baltic MD in March 1950 (Krasnaya Zvezda). His successor, Major General Lapkin (fnu), is reported for the first time. Lieutenant General A.V. Mukhin, promoted to this rank on 30 May 1945 (Krasnaya Zvezda).

Major General K.A. Allikas, commanding general of the 7th Estonian Rifle Div in late 1944. The present location of this division, which was last identified in the Leningrad MD in the fall of 1945, and the present appointment of Allikas are unknown.

Major General (Coastal Services) G.F. Bystrikov, addressed a Komsomol rally in Leningrad in October 1947 (Krasnaya Zvezda).

Lieutenant General L.I. Vagin, wartime commander of the 79th Gds Rifle Div, and postwar commander of the 20th Gds Mecz Div in Jena. Since one General Serguyin (fnu) was identified as the commanding general of the 20th Gds Mecz Div in March 1951, it is credible that Vagin may now hold a position, possibly that of a corps commander, in the Estonian S.S.R.

Major General (Air Force) B.L. Petrov, commanding general of an air unit of the Black Sea Fleet at the end of the war, and possibly now in command of a naval air division of the North Baltic Fleet.

Vice Admiral N.M. Kharlamov, attended the ceremony on the occasion of the 32d anniversary of the Red Army in Moscow in February 1950 (Izvestiya) and possibly now in command of the North Baltic Fleet in Tallinn.

\*\* Comment. Soviet newspapers contain no indications of the integration of the Estonian S.S.R. into the Baltic MD.

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